

## Message Text

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VALLETTA FOR ANDREW YOUNG AND DICK MOOSE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: TEXT OF DTA LETTER

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FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE DTA LETTER ADDRESSED TO SIR  
DAVID SCOTT FROM THE DEMOCRATIC TURNHALLE ALLIANCE.

BEGIN QUOTE: AS INSTRUCTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OF THE  
DEMOCRATIC TURNHALLE ALLIANCE I HEREBY WISH TO LODGE A  
SERIOUS OBJECTION TO THE FACT THAT THE FIVE WESTERN

POWERS WHO HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS WITH SWAPO, HAVE NOT MADE ANY ENDEAVOR TO CONTACT OR TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE ALLIANCE WHICH REPRESENTS THE MAJORITY OF ALL ELEVEN POPULATION GROUPS IN SOUTH WEST AFRICA/NAMIBIA.

THE ALLIANCE FEELS VERY STRONGLY ABOUT THIS FACT BECAUSE IN ALL FAIRNESS SWAPO IS MERELY ONE OF MANY POLITICAL PARTIES IN THIS TERRITORY WHEREAS THE ALLIANCE IS FAR MORE REPRESENTATIVE, BUT BECAUSE IT IS A PEACEFUL ORGANIZATION IT APPEARS TO BE IGNORED.

THE DTA ACCORDINGLY REQUESTS MOST URGENTLY THAT YOU BRING THE CONTENTS OF THIS LETTER TO THE ATTENTION OF ALL FIVE THE WESTERN POWERS BEARING IN MIND THAT A SETTLEMENT BETWEEN YOURSELVES AND SWAPO WILL NOT LEAD TO ANY MEANINGFUL SOLUTION UNLESS THE DEMOCRATIC TURNHALE ALLIANCE HAS BEEN GIVEN THE NECESSARY RECOGNITION AND IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE TERMS WHICH MAY BE NEGOTIATED.

THE DTA IS AS MUCH A FACTOR IN THE SETTLEMENT OF THE SOUTH WEST AFRICA/NAMIBIA QUESTION AS ANY OF THE PARTIES WITH WHOM THE FIVE WESTERN POWERS ARE AT PRESENT NEGOTIATING.

MAY I, ASSURE YOU, YOUR EXCELLENCY, OF MY HIGHEST ESTEEM.  
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YOURS FAITHFULLY  
BILLIE MARAIS  
SECRETARY: DEMOCRATIC TURNHALLE ALLIANCE END QUOTE  
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